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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS OF
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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS

DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING
INVESTIGATIONS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM THE REPUBLIC OF
HUNGARY AND INDIA(102292 IS FED REG PUBLICATION DATE)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH IN THE FEDERAL
REGISTER ON OCTOBER 22, 1992, NOTICE OF ITS PRELIMINARY
DETERMINATIONS THAT SULFANILIC ACID, FROM HUNGARY AND INDIA ARE
SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE.

2. THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE ALL GRADES

OF SULFANILIC ACID, WHICH INCLUDE TECHNICAL (OR CRUDE) SULFANILIC ACID, REFINED (OR PURIFIED) SULFANILIC ACID AND REFINED SODIUM SALT OF SULFANILIC ACID (SODIUM SULFANILATE).

SULFANILIC ACID IS A SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL PRODUCED FROM THE DIRECT SULFONATION OF ANILINE WITH SULFURIC ACID. SULFANILIC ACID IS USED AS A RAW MATERIAL IN THE PRODUCTION OF OPTICAL BRIGHTENERS, FOOD COLORS, SPECIALTY DYES, AND CONCRETE ADDITIVES. THE PRINCIPAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GRADES ARE THE UNDESIRABLE QUANTITIES OF RESIDUAL ANILINE AND ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIAL PRESENT IN THE SULFANILIC ACID. ALL GRADES ARE AVAILABLE AS DRY, FREE FLOWING POWDERS.

TECHNICAL SULFANILIC ACID, CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE SUBHEADING 2921.42.24.20 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE (HTS), CONTAINS 96 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE AND 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS. REFINED SULFANILIC ACID, CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTS SUBHEADING 2921.42.24.20 CONTAINS 98 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS. REFINED SODIUM SALT OF SULFANILIC ACID (SODIUM SULFANILATE) CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTS SUBHEADING 2921.42.70, IS A GRANULAR OR CRYSTALLINE MATERIAL CONTAINING 75 PERCENT MINIMUM EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE, AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS BASED ON THE EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID CONTENT.

THE HTS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS DESPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES, THESE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION NUMBERS HUNGARY A-437-802 AND INDIA A-533-806.

4. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PRELIMINARILY DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO EXPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID

FROM HUNGARY. THEREFORE, FOR ALL EXPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM HUNGARY THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE. FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER JULY 24, 1992, WHICH IS 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE APPROPRIATE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY, MARGIN PERCENTAGE LISTED BELOW.

5. FOR ALL EXPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM INDIA THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OF AFTER OCTOBER 22, 1992, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE APPROPRIATE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY MARGIN PERCENTAGE LISTED BELOW:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER/ EXPORTER	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	WEIGHTED-AVERAGE MARGIN PERCENTGAGE
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HUNGARY

NITROKEMIA	A-437-802-001	27.79%
ALL OTHERS	A-437-802-000	27.79%

INDIA

ALL MANUFACTURERS/PRODUCERS/ EXPORTERS	A-533-806-000	114.8%
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6. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH, CUSTOMS HEADQUARTERS, VIA E-MAIL ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT MARY JENKINS OF THE OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-1756.

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*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party